

## Cambridge Neighborhood Statistics Persons in Poverty: 1980 - 2000

	Persons in Poverty			Change 1980 - 2000		As % of Citywide Persons in Poverty			As % of Neighborhood Population		
	1980	1990	2000	Net	%	1980	1990	2000	1980	1990	2000
<b>CITY OF CAMBRIDGE</b>	12,593	8,794	11,295	(1,298)	(10.3%)	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	13.2%	9.2%	11.1%
<b>East Cambridge (Area 1)</b>	948	343	1238	290	30.6%	7.5%	3.9%	11.0%	17.6%	5.9%	17.0%
<b>MIT/Area 2</b>	368	257	264	(104)	(28.3%)	2.9%	2.9%	2.3%	7.8%	5.1%	4.8%
<b>Wellington-Harrington (Area 3)</b>	1,108	738	1119	11	--	8.8%	8.4%	9.9%	15.2%	10.4%	15.2%
<b>Area 4</b>	1,778	1,315	1641	(137)	(7.7%)	14.1%	15.0%	14.5%	27.2%	19.1%	22.6%
<b>Cambridgeport (Area 5)</b>	1,447	1,181	1236	(211)	(14.6%)	11.5%	13.4%	10.9%	16.7%	13.2%	12.3%
<b>Mid-Cambridge (Area 6)</b>	1,716	1,003	1339	(377)	(22.0%)	13.6%	11.4%	11.9%	12.8%	7.7%	9.9%
<b>Riverside (Area 7)</b>	1,304	1,009	1519	215	16.5%	10.4%	11.5%	13.4%	13.0%	9.7%	13.9%
<b>Agassiz (Area 8)</b>	414	232	416	2	0.5%	3.3%	2.6%	3.7%	7.7%	4.5%	7.9%
<b>Area 9</b>	888	763	1074	186	20.9%	7.1%	8.7%	9.5%	8.3%	6.9%	9.1%
<b>West Cambridge (Area 10)</b>	706	454	405	(301)	(42.6%)	5.6%	5.2%	3.6%	8.2%	5.4%	5.0%
<b>North Cambridge (Area 11)</b>	1,507	1,224	875	(632)	(41.9%)	12.0%	13.9%	7.7%	13.7%	11.4%	7.8%
<b>Cambridge Highlands (Area 12)</b>	74	19	5	(69)	(93.2%)	0.6%	0.2%	0.0%	6.6%	3.3%	1.0%
<b>Strawberry Hill (Area 13)</b>	335	256	165	(170)	--	2.7%	2.9%	1.5%	13.1%	9.8%	6.6%

1. The Census Bureau uses a set of income thresholds that vary by family size and composition to determine who is poor. The poverty thresholds do not vary geographically. They are updated annually using the Consumer Price Index to reflect the effects of inflation. The official poverty definition counts money income before taxes and does not include capital gains and noncash benefits. Poverty is not defined for people living in college dormitories, institutional group quarters such as nursing homes and jails, or for unrelated individuals under age 15. In 1999 the poverty threshold for a three person household comprised of one adult and two children under 18 was \$13,423.